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1,000 persons undergo antibody test at CFTRI

To assess vaccination efficacy and correlation with lifestyle changes like smoking, food habits

Mysuru, July 10 (RK, SSV & BCT)- The Phase-3, Pan-CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research) Phenome India Sero-Survey Camp (antibody test) has been going at CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI), Mysuru, since Wednesday.

This three-day survey, which was supposed to end yesterday, continued today also.

As against the target of 1,000 people, 838 persons have undergone this survey till yesterday and the rest covered today.

What is Sero-Survey?

A Sero-Survey involves testing of blood serum of a group of individuals and this will be used to monitor trends in prevalence of SARS-COV-2 infection at the district-level.

The surveillance will be conducted with key stakeholders and State Health Departments. The facility-oriented surveillance (like now at CFTRI) is an expansion of the testing of flu and serious respiratory cases in hospitals being carried out by the Government.

Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Director, CSIR-CFTRI, who inaugurated the Sero-Survey Camp at CFTRI on Wednesday, seen undergoing antibody test as others look on.

A more focused population-based Sero-Survey of high and low-risk groups is in addition to routine testing. The move will not only help the Government and its agencies monitor COVID-19 trends but also check for community transmission in any part of the country.

Assessing antibody levels in blood

This survey aims at estimating both qualitative and quantitative antibody levels in the blood, breakthrough Coronavirus infections, vaccination efficacy and its correlation with other lifestyle changes, including smoking, food habits, age, etc.

It also estimates the presence of underlying comorbidities in vaccinated (first or both doses) or in those naturally infected individuals including children in the age group of 5 to 18 years.

(See CFTRI on page 7)

Expert view

"Already, many in the age group of 18 to 44 years have taken their first dose of Covishield vaccine. A new study will be taken up after 60 days of taking the vaccine. Another survey of those who had taken the second dose will be taken up after nine months. We will then come to know about the necessity of a third dose."

— Dr. C.N. Manjunath
Director, Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, Bengaluru

MLA Sait plans Blood Bank at Beedi Workers' Hospital

Urgent need to upgrade K.R. Hospital Blood Bank

Tanveer Sait

Mysuru, July 10 (PM&SSV)- Narasimharaja MLA Tanveer Sait said that it has been proposed to set up a Blood Bank at the Central Hospital for Beedi Workers on Mahadevapura Main Road in the city to meet the growing demand for blood.

He was speaking after inaugurating a Mega Blood Donation camp organised by Azeez Sait Community Welfare Development Charitable Trust, Care Social Foundation, Umeed COVID Volunteers, Mysore District Relief Committee, UMMAT Social-Educational Trust, Lions Jeevadhara Blood Centre and Department of Health and Family Welfare at NR COVID Care Centre and Hospital (Beedi Hospital) here this morning.

Sait said according to the recent Central Government rules, the existing Blood Bank at K.R. Hospital needs to be upgraded. Of late, the concept of Blood Banks has changed, especially after COVID-19 pandemic, as blood platelets and plasma have to be separated from the blood.

(See MLA on page 7)

Mentally unsound woman allegedly raped at K.R. Hospital

Perpetrator broke a window of Destitute Ward to gain entry

Mysuru, July 10 (RK&BCT)- In a shocking incident, a mentally unsound woman was allegedly raped by an unidentified person inside the State-run K.R. Hospital. The incident has rattled the women inmates of the Hospital and also their family members who are mostly from economically weaker sections. A rape case has been registered at the Devaraja Police Station yesterday, six days after the incident.

The alleged rape occurred on the night of July 3 where the miscreant broke open the window of the Destitute Ward in the heart of the Hospital. There were four women in the Ward and the victim is said to be aged between 30 and 35 years.

The Destitute Ward is, however, not an isolated one prompting such attacks. It is located near the Semi-Special Ward, surrounded by the Resident Medical Officer's Section, OPD and also Casualty Ward. The entire area is monitored by CCTV cameras and there are 24x7 activities there.

(See WOMAN on page 7)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 10th July 2021

Intl. Webinar on "Recent Advances in Clinical Management of Speech and Language Disorders" from July 12 to 19

Mysuru, July 10 - JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing, Mysuru, has been one of the 300 institutions of JSS Mahavidyapeetha.

The Institute imparts training at under-graduates, post-graduate and doctoral levels in the field of Speech and Hearing and is affiliated to the University of Mysore (UoM) and also recognised by the Rehabilitation Council of India. The JSS Institute has also been recognised as 'Research Centre' from UoM.

To mark its 20th anniversary, JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing is organising an international webinar on "Recent Advances in the Clinical Management of Speech and Language Disorders" from July 12 to 19.

Dr. C.G. Betsurmath, Executive Secretary, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will be inaugurating the webinar at 10 am on July 12.

R. Mahesh, Director, Medical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will preside. Dr. B. Rajashekhar, former Dean, College of Allied Health Sciences and Professor, Department of Speech-Language Pathology, KMC, Manipal, will be delivering the keynote address.

Twenty eminent speakers from India and abroad in the field of speech and hearing will be delivering lectures.

More than 1,000 participants from India, UAE, London, USA, South Africa, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh have registered to the webinar online.

The webinar will focus on enlightening the recent therapy procedures used in treating various speech and language disorders, according to a press release from the Institute Director.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

A Madhya Pradesh High Court Judge has rued the Juvenile Justice Act's inability to punish delinquents aged below 16 while rejecting bail for a 15-year-old juvenile accused of raping a 10-year-old girl. The Judge observed that the legislature hasn't "learnt lessons" from the Nirbhaya case, where one rapist was just under 18. This had triggered Juvenile Justice Act (JJA) 2015 amendments that allowed trial of juveniles over 16, when accused of heinous offences, as adults in children's courts. But first a Juvenile Justice Board evaluates them for mental and physical capacity and ability to understand consequences of the crime. If found guilty, jail terms for the remainder of the sentence commences only on turning 21.

The issue here is of balance — if a juvenile less than 16 is credibly accused of an extremely heinous offence, he can be in the same halfway house system as those in the 16-18 group are now. Determining whether someone less than 16 can indeed be tried in such a fashion must be a thorough process. So, were Parliament to consider making exceptions for JJA's age of criminality for extremely heinous offences, the amendment must be written with care. Heinous offences must be well defined to minimise subjectivity.

— In The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

Woman had chopsticks in her skull

Taipei: Taiwanese doctors recently reported the unusual case of a young woman who apparently had two chopstick fragments lodged in her face for a week, without even knowing.

The 29-year-old unnamed woman reportedly went to a hospital after a violent fight with her sister which had left her with two minor lacerations on the nose and under her left eye. Doctors examined her and even performed an X-ray, which didn't show anything and hence the woman left the hospital. But as the days went by, she started to suspect that her wounds were more serious. Pieces of the plastic chopsticks her sister had attacked her with were missing and she started to think that there was something stuck in her nose.

The woman returned to the hospital and told doctors her new discoveries. A thorough examination revealed pieces of chopstick penetrating her nasal septum and she underwent a CT scan which showed that she had two large fragments of chopsticks embedded deep in her sinuses. Interestingly, the chopstick pieces had reportedly entered the woman's skull which were removed through surgery.

Body-painted illusions of Hikaru Cho

Tokyo: Hikaru Cho is a Tokyo-based body painter who specializes in surreal body art created using a combination of body paint and makeup.

Tokyo-based artist Hikaru Cho may only be 27-years-old, but she is already one of the most highly regarded body painters in the world, having worked with big brands like Samsung or Shiseido, and organizations like Amnesty International, among others. Cho is one of the world's most promising body painters, and her work so far is an indication, there's a lot of impressive stuff to look forward in future.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Hydration: - Are you drinking enough water?

Thirst is the first sign your body shows, also feeling tired, lazy unable to concentrate at work, indigestion, irritability, constant hunger or craving for food, muscle cramps, headache etc are the symptoms of not getting adequate fluid to your body. Plan 2.5 – 3 liters of fluids per day to be well hydrated.

By Syeda Shifain Fathima - Department of Dietetics & Nutrition

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Eating raw kidney beans could send you to the hospital or even kill you if you eat enough of them. Eating as few as 4 or 5 raw kidney beans can cause extreme nausea and vomiting. The toxin responsible is the lectin phytohemagglutinin. It is found in many types of beans, but is highest in red kidney beans.

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	JULY 8	JULY 9
Day's Positive Cases	294	216
Total Positive Cases	1,69,088	1,69,304
Day's Discharges	394	421
Total Discharges	1,63,323	1,63,744
Day's Deaths	6	7
Total Deaths	2,226	2,233
Total Active Cases	3,539	3,327

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Three-day Hackathon begins

Mysuru, July 10- The Department of Computer Science and Engineering, GSSS Institute of Engineering and Technology for Women, Mysuru, is hosting a three-day Hackathon "WIMAC HACK 2021" from today (July 10 to 12) in association with CSI Chapter, Mysuru.

The hackathon provides feasible solutions to real-time problems identified in various domains like Web Application, Internet of Things, Mobile Application, Artificial Intelligence, Chat Bots and Voice Bots. It includes preliminary training and brainstorming sessions for both software and hardware editions.

UG students of all engineering branches are eligible to participate. Dr. S. Meenakshi Sundaram, Head, Department of CSE, Dr. P. Raviraj, Professor, Dr. K.S. Gururaj, Professor, Dr. B. Manjuprasad, Associate Professor and Dr. H.R. Roopashree, Associate Professor with support of the faculty members of CSE Department are hosting the event.

Prizes will be distributed to winners in presence of chief guests P. Thejesh, CEO & Founder, Loginware Softtec Pvt. Ltd. Bengaluru and Vanaja B Pandit, Hon. Secretary, GSSS, at the valedictory on July 12.

REALLY...?

- ***Around 220 AD, the Ancient Chinese invented the lanterns to signal for messages during the military operations. These lanterns had a small opening at the bottom where a small fire was lit. The smoke from the fire helped lift the lantern from the ground and float in the air. These were the first ancient balloons!***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Maths teacher: *If you have 12 chocolates and you give 5 to Priya, 3 to Sonia and 2 to Pinky, then what will you get?*

Boy student: *Three new girl friends!!?*

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1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.49
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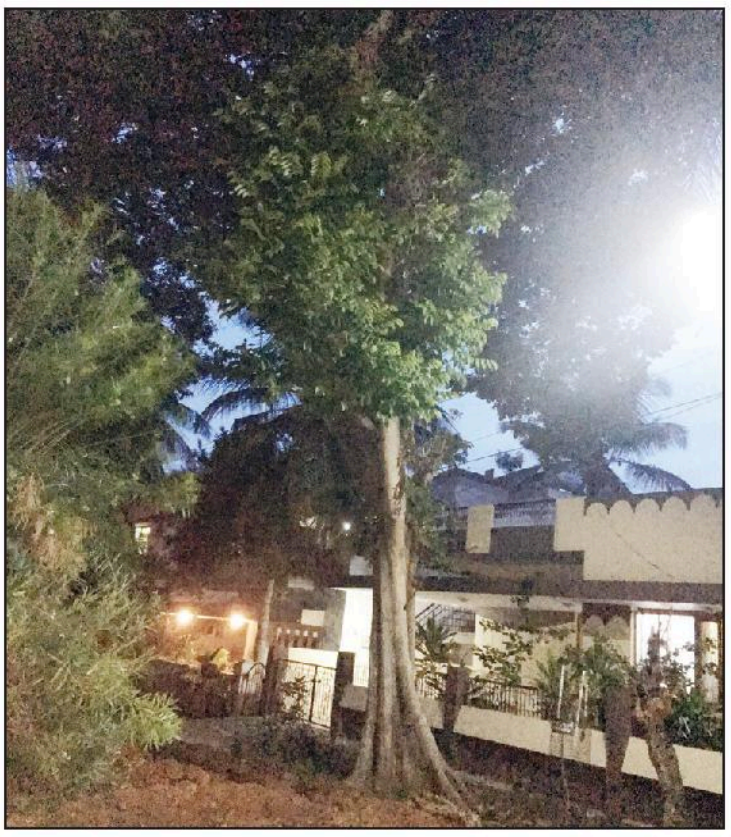
VOICE OF THE READER

Huge tree posing risk to houses



Sir,

I would like to bring to the notice of the MCC the risk posed by a big tree growing in front of our house (No. 50) in the 2nd Main Road, H-Block, Ramakrishnanagar.

As can be seen in the photo, it is a huge tree and on one side of it the electricity supply line is running because of which the linemen are pruning it from time to time on that side. So it is slowly leaning towards our house side with its big branches which may fall on our house as well as the adjoining house at any time.

Will the Corporation officials kindly look into this at the earliest and take necessary action before any serious mishap happens ?

—Dr. C.S. Srinivasan
Ramakrishnanagar
8.7.2021

Vaccine reduces chance of Black Fungus: Experts

Panellists have expressed concern that if we lower our guard, then the third wave is imminent and will likely begin in August and peak in November

Bengaluru, July 10 (UNI)- The panellists at Neuberg Diagnostics' Panel discussion on '*COVID-19: Lessons Learnt and Planning Forward*', echoed the sentiment that Delta Plus COVID-19 variant continues to be a cause of concern and quick vaccination is the only weapon we have at hand.

A statement issued here on Friday said immediate vaccination will enable us to achieve herd immunity while also reducing the chances of Black Fungus, severe health complications, side-effects, blood clots and secondary infections. The panellists also expressed the concern that if we lower our guard, then the third wave is imminent and will likely begin in August and peak in November.

Professor and *Padma Shri* awardee Dr. Mohan Kameswaran, Otorhinolaryngologist, Founder, Madras ENT Research Foundation, Chennai, said, "We witnessed the first case of Mucormycosis (Black Fungus - severe and rare fungal infection) in March, the cases peaked from 2 to 3 in March to 10 to 15 cases in May, with a mortality rate of 40 percent to 50 percent. Although high, it is not as high as anticipated. The major issue is the lack of relevant drugs to treat Mucormycosis. In Tamil Nadu area, the spread of Mucormycosis became epidemic within pandemic."

He added, "60 - 70 percent of patients who came to me with Black Fungus had not taken the vaccine, 25 - 30 percent had taken one dose and less than 5 percent had taken both. Thus, people who have taken both doses have a good chance against COVID infection and are much less prone to Black Fungus."

On the third wave, Dr. Rajinder Kumar Singal, Senior Director & HOD - Internal Medicine, BLK Max Hospital, New Delhi, said, "We are still not out of second wave but are ready for third wave. Third wave is expected to be less severe than the second wave due to increased vaccination. About 21 percent of the Indian population has received the first dose and 4 percent has received both doses. **However, quick vaccination, COVID-19 appropriate behaviour and absence of super-spreader events will be key to stop the spread of the infection."**

Booster shots

Dr. Bhavini Shah, Director, Neuberg Centre of Genomic Medicine, Ahmedabad, said, "Antibody tests on hundreds of people vaccinated with second dose of vaccine indicate that booster shots may be required for the population. The findings were made after checking antibody levels of nearly 30,000 people in Gujarat by us. Out of these numbers, researchers focused on 500 healthcare workers. We found that people would require a flu-like booster shot every year to pep-up immunity."

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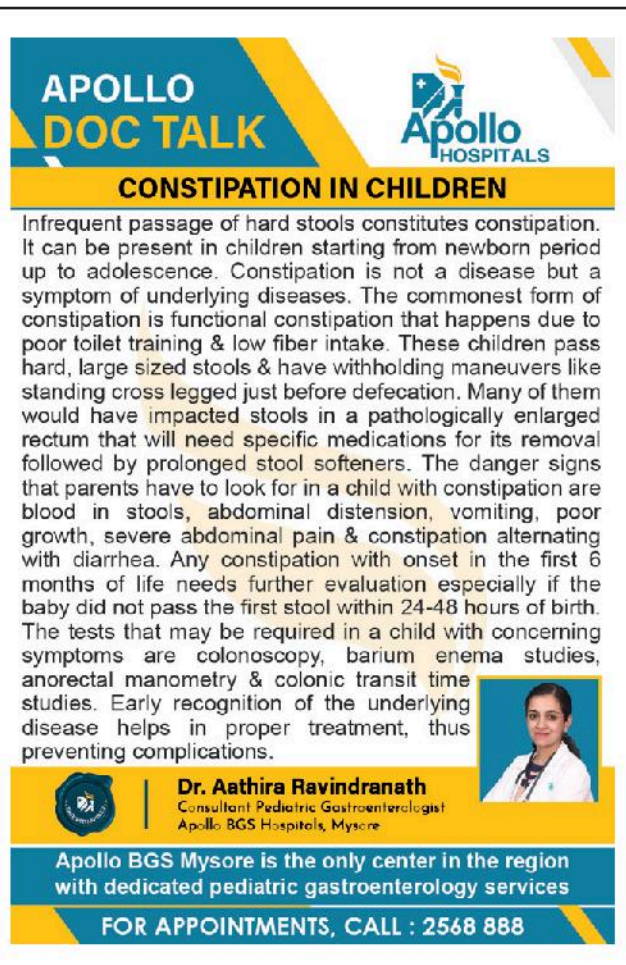
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CONSTIPATION IN CHILDREN
Infrequent passage of hard stools constitutes constipation. It can be present in children starting from newborn period up to adolescence. Constipation is not a disease but a symptom of underlying diseases. The commonest form of constipation is functional constipation that happens due to poor toilet training & low fiber intake. These children pass hard, large sized stools & have withholding maneuvers like standing cross legged just before defecation. Many of them would have impacted stools in a pathologically enlarged rectum that will need specific medications for its removal followed by prolonged stool softeners. The danger signs that parents have to look for in a child with constipation are blood in stools, abdominal distension, vomiting, poor growth, severe abdominal pain & constipation alternating with diarrhea. Any constipation with onset in the first 6 months of life needs further evaluation especially if the baby did not pass the first stool within 24-48 hours of birth. The tests that may be required in a child with concerning symptoms are colonoscopy, barium enema studies, anorectal manometry & colonic transit time studies. Early recognition of the underlying disease helps in proper treatment, thus preventing complications.
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NEWS BRIEFS

Gehlot to take oath

Former Union Minister **Thawar Chand Gehlot** will be sworn-in as the new Governor of Karnataka on July 11, State's Raj Bhavan confirmed on Friday. The ceremony is scheduled to be held at 10.30 am in the Glass House of Raj Bhavan. Chief Justice of the High Court of Karnataka Abhay Srinivas Oka will administer the Oath of Office and Secrecy to the new Governor, a release said.

Degree classes

Dy.CM and Higher Education Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan on Friday said that the date for resuming degree classes is yet to be decided. In a statement issued here, he said that at present the focus is on vaccination of students who are above 18 years. The dates of opening the degree classes will be decided later after consulting with all the VCs and stakeholders.

Interior Design

Mysore Interiors & Designs Academy will be starting 1-year Diploma in Interior Design Studies affiliated to Jain University, Bengaluru, for students, housewives, senior citizens and working executives from July 26. For details, contact the Academy at Sree Cauvery Educational Institutions campus, Kuvempunagar, between 10 am - 4 pm or Mob: 90353-36060 or Ph: 0821- 4256549. Last date for submission of application is July 23.

'Blacklist contractors who fail to complete *Jal Jeevan* works before deadline'

Mysuru, July 10 (RKB&SSV)- Rural Development & Panchayat Raj (RDPR) Minister K.S. Eshwarappa has directed officers concerned to complete all works taken up under 'Jal Jeevan' Mission, a Government of India programme aimed at providing drinking water to rural areas, before the end of this month.

He was reviewing the progress of RDPR Department in Mysuru district at the meeting held at Zilla Panchayat (ZP) auditorium yesterday morning.

The Minister said a total of 753 works have been taken up at an estimated cost of Rs. 294.78 crore. While work orders have been issued for 712 works, other works were yet to get it. Already, 608 works have commenced.

Since it was the Central Government programme, officers must not neglect it and ensure its completion at the earliest. Contractors who fail to complete the works within the deadline, must be blacklisted, he added.

Minister K.S. Eshwarappa making a point during a progress review meeting of RDPR Department in city yesterday.

Eshwarappa directed the Executive Officers of all taluks to release 10 percent cost of the total project cost to contractors before the commencement of works. It has been brought to his notice that the Executive Officers of many taluks had not released money to contractors which had held up the ongoing works. "You release 10 percent of money and strictly tell contractors to complete works before July 31 failing which blacklist them without any mercy," the Minister added.

MLAs Ashwinkumar, K. Mahadev, S.R. Mahesh and Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah attended the meeting. ZP Chief Executive Officer (CEO) A.M. Yogesh and other district-level officers were present.

District Minister thanks PM for setting up Union Co-op. Ministry

Mysuru, July 10 (RKB&DM)- Thanking Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah for setting up an exclusive Union Ministry for Co-operation, State Co-operation Minister S.T. Somashekar, who is also Mysuru District Minister, said that the establishment of the new Ministry will give a big push for the Co-operative sector.

S.T. Somashekar

Speaking to press persons at the Government Guest House here on Wednesday, Somashekar said that the establishment of the Union Ministry for Co-operation after separating it from the Agriculture Ministry, will largely help in bringing discipline and transparency in the functioning of Co-operative Bodies in all States.

Pointing out the strengthening of the Co-operative sector was also the wish of Mahatma Gandhi, he said that the Prime Minister has fulfilled the long wish of the Co-operative sector.

Maintaining that the Union Government is committed for fulfilling the principle of development through Co-operative institutions, the Minister said that the establishment of an exclusive Ministry is a big boon to farmers and the agrarian sector, as they can get more benefits.

Noting that there are about 43,000 Co-operative Societies and 5,000 Souharda Co-operative Societies with a collective membership of 2.5 crore, he said that according to an estimate, there are 48 crore people in the country who are directly or indirectly involved in the Co-operative sector.

Loan waiver of COVID-dead Co-operators

Commenting on the issue of loan waiver of COVID dead Co-operators, Somashekar said that he has sought information from all 21 DCC Banks in the State on the number of Co-operative members, who had died of COVID and loans availed or repaid by them. The Chief Minister will take a decision on waiver of unpaid loans of COVID dead Co-operators within a week of getting a complete report covering all DCC Banks, he added.

MLA launches initiative to take Govt. schemes to doorsteps of farmers

Mysuru, July 10 (MTY&DM)- In a bid to take Government schemes to the door-steps of farmers, Varuna MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah launched *Ilakhegala Nadige Raithara Mane Bagilige* (Government Departments' march to the doorsteps of farmers) at a programme organised near Varuna Gram Panchayat (GP) Office in Mysuru taluk on Wednesday.

Yathindra Siddharamaiah

Highlighting the objectives of the march after flagging off the publicity vehicle, Dr. Yathindra said that it will help in taking various Union and State Governments' schemes, plans, initiatives, projects and programmes meant for agriculture sector to the doorsteps of farmers and also educate them of the benefits and privileges available under them.

The march will help in firmly maintaining the bond between Government Departments and the farmers, he added.

The vehicle will pass through Varuna, Vajamangala, Varakodu, Mellahalli, Keelanapura, Yadakola, Devalapura, Someshwarapura and Harohalli GPs.

Taluk Assistant Director of Agriculture Dr. Veeranna, Varuna GP President Rajesh, Sericulture Officer Mahesh Kumar, Horticulture Officer Mamatha, Agriculture Officer Vinay Kumar and others were present.

Several leaders join Congress

Mysuru, July 10 (MTY&DM)- Former BJP Corporator and influential Lingayat community leader M. Pradeep Kumar and Lingayat Gowda Mahasabha State President Alanahalli Puttaswamy were among the several local leaders from different parties who joined the Congress at the party's launch of the month-long 'Sahayahastha' programme at Congress Bhavan near City Railway Station on Wednesday.

Speaking after joining the Congress, Pradeep Kumar said that he had served the BJP for years and had earned the confidence of the people.

Accusing the BJP of promoting only its Hindutva campaign while ignoring the welfare of the common man, he said that he has joined the Congress under the able leadership of Siddharamaiah.

Alanahalli Puttaswamy, in his address, said that the BJP Government led by Modi at the Centre was favouring only corporates. Accusing the BJP of acting against the interests of the farmers and the poor, he charged Chief Minister Yediyurappa of ignoring the plight of the common man. The CM has also ignored Lingayat Gowda community, which has a considerable dominance in Mysuru region.

Other leaders who joined the Congress include Basavaraju, Suresh Babu, Shadakshari, Shashikumar and Praveen.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	88.76	feet
Yesterday	:	89.18	feet
Inflow	:	1,793	cusecs
Outflow	:	4,513	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,275.61	feet
Inflow	:	796	cusecs
Outflow	:	1,700	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,843.28	feet
Inflow	:	423	cusecs
Outflow	:	80	cusecs

MUDA cancels allotment of 122 CA sites

So far it has allotted 599 CA sites; Preparations on for allotment of 250 CA sites

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, July 10- Acting against improper use or misuse of CA (Civic Amenities) sites, the MUDA (Mysuru Urban Development Authority) has cancelled allotment of 122 CA sites that were sanctioned to various Organisations, Associations and Trusts years ago.

MUDA has so far allotted 599 CA sites, including 128 by the then CITB (City Improvement Trust Board), 231 by the current MUDA itself and 240 sites in Private Layouts. At present, a total of 584 CA sites including those marked in privately-developed Layouts are available for allotment and MUDA has started preparations for issuing notification for allotment of 250 CA sites.

Out of the 599 CA sites allotted so far, the MUDA has cancelled the allotment of 122 of them for various reasons such as non-construction of building within the specified time, violation of the purpose of allotment, misuse of site, default on payment of yearly instalment towards cost of site etc. Also, many of the cancelled allottees were said to fake Associations which existed only on paper.

The MUDA normally allots CA sites on a 30-year lease agreement for deserving Organisations , Trusts etc., that are working for the cause of the society through their own ways. Also the sites are allotted for purposes such as Children Play Homes, Schools and Colleges, Skill Training Centres, Libraries, Hostels, Hospitals, Child Care Centres, Yoga and Meditation centres, Prayer Halls, Community Halls, Sports Centres, Music and Dance Schools, Disabled Welfare Centres and so on.

Deadline extended to pay 75% amount for auctioned sites

Meanwhile, in the wake of COVID crisis, the MUDA has extended the deadline to successful bidders for payment of 75 percent of money without interest by a further 21 days, considering the fact that the lockdown was in enforcement till July 5, which hit the banking, commercial and all other activities.

The MUDA had allotted several sites through an e-auction held on Mar.2, 2021 and the successful bidders, who were issued auction validation certificates, were asked to pay 75 percent of the cost of the site without any interest within 45 days of the issuance of certificate and with an interest upto 90 days and further interest upto another 30 days.

But due to COVID-induced lockdown, MUDA extended the interest-free payment for 48 days. As the lockdown was again enforced from June 14 to July 5, 2021, MUDA has once again extended the deadline for auctioned site allottees to pay 75 percent of the cost of site without any interest by 21 more days, according to a press release from MUDA Commissioner Dr. D.B. Natesh.

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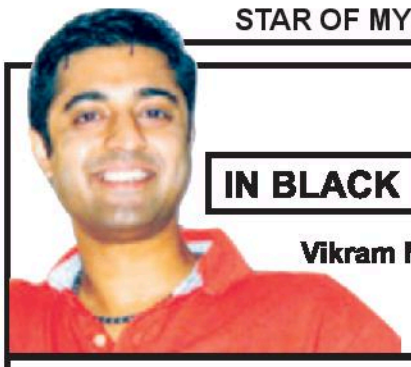

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Vikram Muthanna

Political Leadership and State's Prosperity

K.T. Rama Rao

S.M. Krishna

On July 9, Kitex Garments, the second-largest children's apparel manufacturer in the world, announced that the company would invest an initial Rs. 1,000 crore in Warangal, Telangana. How this investment came about has lessons for many States and its Ministers.

Initially, this was a Rs. 3,500-crore project, which was supposed to come up in Kerala but the approvals from the Government were constantly delayed.

It has been reported that Kitex's Chairman Sabu Jacob got tired of dealing with the Kerala Government and thought of delaying the project when he got a call from the IT and Industries Minister of India's youngest State — Telangana.

K.T. Rama Rao, the IT and Industries Minster of Telangana, told Sabu Jacob to open the factory in his State. The next morning the Telangana Government sent a special flight to Kerala to bring the Kitex team from Kochi to Hyderabad for a meeting. And by the end of the day it was announced that Kitex had committed Rs. 1,000 crore and will be setting up their factory in Telangana. Kerala's loss, Telangana's gain.

This is not the first time that Telangana's Industry Minister has shown proactive attitude to attract industries to create jobs. Karnataka too lost an industry to Telangana.

Four years ago, a mobile phone company had approached the Karnataka Government for land and faster approvals to set up a manufacturing unit in the outskirts of Bengaluru. The Minister they met put them on to some officials who then kept them waiting and waiting.

When they tried to contact the Minister to complain about the delay, they got a cold shoulder. The company decided to move the factory to Chennai…but then they too got a call from the Industries Minister of Telangana.

Like they did with Kitex now, back then too, the very next day the mobile company's team was flown to Hyderabad, meetings were held, an IAS Officer was deputed as the point man for all clearances with a time-line to deliver. Five weeks later, land was approved and clearances were given.

It has been four years since this incident happened and today there is a factory in Telangana that manufactures numerous parts of a cell phone and employs nearly 500 people and growing! Like with Kerala, this too was Karnataka's loss and Telangana's gain.

This reminds me of our former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna. He too was a proactive politician. Speaking about the importance of traffic management in a business city like Bengaluru at an event in Mysuru in 2016, he recalled how when he had telephoned Wipro Chairman Azim Premji requesting him to come for a meeting at Vidhana Soudha in the evening, Premji told Krishna that since Sarjapur Road was too congested it would take him 1 hour 45 minutes to get to Vidhana Soudha from his office, which was a waste of time; so instead he would come straight to Vidhana Soudha from his house before going to work the next day morning.

It seems, Krishna immediately called one of his officers and told him to see if what Premji was saying was true and if it was, then there must be a "visible change" within a month.

When I heard this I was left wondering, what would happen today if an industrialist had told that he cannot come when he was called because of traffic and instead will come when it is convenient to him? Surely, there would have been raids on his factory by various Government Departments and the industrialist's life would become a living hell.

But S.M. Krishna, when Premji said he could not come, did not feel offended, like typical politicians with fragile egos do; instead he saw a problem and wanted to fix it. May be, that's because Krishna saw his position as CM differently than most other leaders before him or after him — he saw himself as a facilitator rather than an egocentric power centre.

That's why he once said, "We do not look at investors as businessmen. We consider them as our partners — partners in development and technological upliftment." No wonder, Krishna was voted the 'Best CM in India' twice in a nationwide poll. During the same period, the then Gujarat CM Modi came in 8th!

When asked about his success with investors, Krishna had said it is his ability to blend conservatism with modernism. Which meant the ability to deal with traditional party politics while being able to woo foreign investors.

It was not just industries that Krishna pushed for, he also had many pro-people projects — He formed the Bangalore Agenda Task Force (BATF) to manage the city; he demarcated areas in North and South Karnataka to move industries so Bengaluru would not get clogged. He gave life to the land records digitalisation project BHOOMI that was lying inactive for 13 years! Today, the Urban Property Ownership Records (UPOR) is an extension of this project. "Sthree Shakthi," the women's self-help groups and the game-changing mid-day meal scheme, which is now a national one, were born during his time.

But S.M. Krishna had another quality that not many, if any CM had, which is his approachability. Most industrialists were not intimidated to approach him or offer up advice. Infosys Chairman N.R. Narayana Murthy praised him for his "accessibility and openness to implement new ideas." Ashok Soota, CII's then President-designate, called him the "feelgood" Chief Minister.

Had S.M. Krishna got another term or even if the successive CMs had followed his road map, Karnataka would be in better shape today. But alas.

In a democracy, the prosperity of its people lies in the hands of its representatives. Yes, bureaucrats will formalise a plan and handle the process of creating wealth and managing the State but it is the decision-maker, the Minister, who has to show the intent.

For example, while analysts say Modi is a Hindu fundamentalist, no one talks about how when it was brought to his notice that 310 religious structures in Gandhinagar (Gujarat) had encroached on Government roads, hindering road widening, he demolished them!

First, he demolished temples. This he did in spite of VHP, his party BJP's strong arm, taking offence. VHP formed a Mandir Bachao Samiti and screamed "development cannot be achieved by demolishing temples." It did not stop Modi. Temples were demolished, roads were widened, people benefited, industries came and jobs were created.

If we have to prosper, we need politicians who are pro-development, pro-people, pro-active and pro-fessional — Politicians, who know when to be political and when to behave like a professional. We don't have such leaders anymore.

For now, all we have in Karnataka are leaders who have forgotten about creating jobs. They have forgotten that they have to lure industries. Instead they are only busy luring MLAs. Our Loss, their Gain.

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MLA inaugurates blood donation camp

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Since it involves technology, there was an urgent need for upgrading of the K.R. Hospital Blood Bank. It has been proposed to set up a Blood Bank at the Beedi Hospital for the benefit of common people, he added.

The MLA said while 25 percent of blood units collected through donors will be handed over to the Government Blood Bank, the rest will be donated to Lions Jeevadhara Blood Centre. The purpose of holding the mega camp was to encourage the youths to come forward and donate blood. "We are expecting around 200 persons to donate blood in today's camp," he added.

On the occasion, Parveen Sait, daughter of MLA Sait and also President of Umeed COVID Volunteers, donated blood.

District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. K.H. Prasad, who also spoke, said around 35,000 deliveries take place in the district every year of which 15 percent of cases were complicated and five percent were Caesarean section. Such cases require blood. While the mother Blood Bank was situated in K.R. Hospital, the storage units are situated in all Taluk General Hospitals. The Government Hospitals depend upon the public for the collection of blood. Besides, accident victims and cancer patients too require blood, he noted.

Acting Mayor Anwar Baig, Dr. Mohammed Shiraz, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Girish, Director, Jeevadhara Blood Centre and others were present.

Mentally unsound woman allegedly raped

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Old lady speaks out

The incident came to light in hushed tones on July 4 and the FIR was lodged only yesterday. Sources said that some Human Rights activists of the city had visited the Ward and had spoken to an old lady inside that Ward who revealed about the incident. Later the Hospital authorities were informed.

Soon after the incident, the Hospital authorities visited the place and later the Police were alerted. The victim has been subjected to medical tests and the samples have been sent to the Forensic Science Laboratory for tests.

The victim was undergoing treatment in the Destitute Ward of the Hospital. She has now been shifted to the special care unit for victims of sexual assault at the adjoining Cheluvamba Hospital for Women and Children.

Window sealed before probe

Sources told *Star of Mysore* that the window which the perpetrator broke to gain entry was sealed by the Hospital authorities with the help of a carpenter and the Police have taken objection to this as the investigation was not completed.

The Police are checking the CCTV camera footage and inquiring with other inmates of the Ward, private security personnel and other staff at the Hospital.

The Devaraja Police led by Inspector Diwakar is interrogating three employees of Ranganatha Security Agency, the contracted agency to man security at the Hospital, who were on duty at the time of the incident.

Police told *SOM* that they were inquiring Satish, Harish and Neelakanta, all field officers of the security agency who were on duty that day.

The security agency had already moved them to different areas of the city after the incident. The Police have to determine whether it is an insider job or the work of an outsider who gained entry into the Ward.

'Victim unable to speak'

"The victim is not in a position to speak. We are awaiting reports of the medical test and also the forensic analysis data. The victim has been checked by specialists and she is recuperating now. We have taken possession of CCTV camera footage and are probing from all angles."

—Shashidhar, ACP, Devaraja Sub-Division

'Probe will reveal truth'

"The allegation that we tried to hush up the case is false. We acted quickly and only the medical reports and Police investigation will reveal the actual truth. The Police are probing and we are cooperating with them. We have also increased security in the Hospital."

—Dr. N. Nanjundaswamy, Medical Superintendent, K.R. Hospital

Flashback: When a pervert had troubled women nursing students

In 2018, a pervert had entered the Girls Nursing Hostel in the K.R. Hospital premises. He had spread terror at the Women's Nursing Hostel of K.R. Hospital and Cheluvamba Hospital run by Mysore Medical College and Research Institute.

CCTV visuals had captured him wearing khaki clothes and entering the hostel premises in the wee hours. He was in an inebriated condition and had assaulted and misbehaved with the students and had snatched away some mobile phones.

He also rubbed the clothes that were kept for drying on his body and tried to take them away. When prevented by the students, he assaulted them. Visuals also showed him carrying a ladies garment.

A case had been registered at the Devaraja Police Station and based on the CCTV visuals, the Police had arrested him from Uppinangadi in Dakshina Kannada.

Antibody test at CFTRI

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The Camp was open to all students, staff, retirees and their family members. This study assumes significance because compared to the fourth phase ICMR (Indian Council of Medical Research) national Sero-Survey, this survey is a longitudinal study. Thus, antibody levels of the individuals are comparable with the previous two surveys.

Further, considering possible threats particularly from the highly transmissible Delta variant and other circulating mutants and the third ripple/wave, which is predicted to occur anywhere between October and November this year, the survey provides the vaccination efficacy, immunity status, sustainability of antibodies in vaccinated or naturally infected individuals, including in children, said Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh, Director, CSIR-CFTRI.

Vaccination efficacy

Additionally, it helps assess if vaccination has assisted in developing herd immunity. The survey provides crucial information about breakthrough COVID infections, to take adequate measures, formulate guidelines including targeted vaccination of individual groups and provide nutritional strength to children less than 18 years of age.

This Pan-CSIR survey is the initiative of CSIR-IGIB (Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology), New Delhi, with Dr. Shantanu Senugupta as the project leader in collaboration with other 38 CSIR sister labs.

Dr. Parigi Ramesh Kumar, Head, Information and Publicity of CFTRI, said this survey will indicate whether people need to take the booster dose in the wake of the threat of the third wave. The results of this survey will be forwarded to the Union Government which will take a final call in consultation with the subject experts.

Ultimately, it is aimed at reducing the mortality rate. This survey will conclude today, Dr. Parigi Ramesh Kumar added.

Dr. Prakash M. Halami, Coordinator and members, Dr. Muthu Kumar, Dr. P.V. Ravindra, Dr. Gopinath, CFTRI Medical Officer Dr. Avilash S. Rani and a group of volunteers were present at the camp.

Second survey at CFTRI

It may be mentioned here that the Phase-2 Pan-CSIR study on Sero-Surveillance was held at the CFTRI in February this year. The study was conducted in collaboration with CSIR- IGIB, New Delhi.

It was aimed at covering the large population size across CSIR laboratories Pan-India to assess the sustained immune status of an individual and the extent of herd immunity achieved.

77 percent immunity

A study on medical personnel, who had taken two doses of vaccine in May 2021, has revealed that 77 percent of them had developed immunity. As many as 140 persons had taken two doses of Covishield vaccine with a four-week gap.

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ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ತಿಳುವಳಿಕೆ

ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ, ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರಾದ ಮೈಸೂರು ನಗರ, ವಿ. ವಿ. ಮೊಹಲ್ಲಾ, 3ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡ ರಸ್ತೆ, ನಂ. 18, 'ಪ್ರಸಾದ್' ರಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸವಾಗಿರುವ ಲೇಟ್ ಸಿ. ಲಿಂಗಯ್ಯ ರವರ ಮಗನಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ಎಲ್. ಅಮಿತ್ ಕುಮಾರ್ ರವರು ಮೈಸೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಮೈಸೂರು ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ವರುಣ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಭೂಗತಗಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರ್ 160/1 ರಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ 1 ಎಕರೆ 24 ಗುಂಟೆ ಮತ್ತು ಡಿಟೋ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂಬರ್ 160/4 (ಹಳೇ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.160/1) ರಲ್ಲಿ 1 ಎಕರೆ 20 ಗುಂಟೆ ಜಮೀನಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಉಚ್ಚ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೇಲ್ಮನವಿಯ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: RSA1522/2018, RSA1523/2018 ರಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ತ್ರಕರಣ ದಾಖಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಮೇಲ್ಮನವಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾನ್ಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಉಚ್ಚ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದು ಮೈಸೂರಿನ 3ನೇ ಹೆಚ್ಚುವರಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಸತ್ರ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದ RA ನಂ. 248/2017 ಮತ್ತು RA ನಂ. 249/2017 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಹೊರಡಿಸಿದಂತಹ ಆದೇಶವನ್ನು ಸ್ಥಗಿತಗೊಳಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಮೇಲ್ಮನವಿಗಳು ಇದೀಗ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಉಚ್ಚ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಇತ್ಯರ್ಥಕ್ಕೆ ಬಾಕಿ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಆದಾಗಿ, ಸದರಿ ಶೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ, ಇತ್ತೀಚಿಗೆ ಅನ್ಯ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಗಳು ಪರಭಾರೆ ವ್ಯವಹಾರ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂಬ ವಿಚಾರ ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿದು ಬಂದಿದ್ದು, ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರಕರಣಕ್ಕೆ ಸೇರಿದ ಜಮೀನನ್ನು ಯಾರೂ ವ್ಯವಹಾರವನ್ನು ಮಾಡಬಾರದು. ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ವ್ಯವಹಾರವನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿದ ಪಕ್ಷದಲ್ಲಿ ಅದರಿಂದ ಉಂಟಾಗುವ ಕಷ್ಟ ನಷ್ಟಗಳಿಗೆ ನೀವುಗಳೇ ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರರಾಗಿರುತ್ತೀರಿ ಎಂದು ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರನ್ನು ಬಧ್ಧಪಡಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ

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Bandipur tiger dies

while being shifted to Bengaluru

H.D. Kote, July 10 (Manju, MTY&BCT)- A tiger aged five, which was found injured in the Hediyala sub-range of Bandipur Tiger Reserve, succumbed to its injuries yesterday while being shifted to Bannerghatta for treatment. Territorial fighting is said to be the reason.

Forest Department officials said that the male tiger was first observed by the Forest Guards and staff of Special Tiger Protection Task Force on Thursday with injuries on its limbs and forehead. Efforts were made to trap and treat it in a wild territory.

When efforts to trap the tiger failed, the authorities resorted to tranquillise the injured tiger and administered first aid. It was decided that the tiger would be shifted to Bannerghatta Biological Park in Bengaluru for treatment. But the big cat died on its way near Mysuru.

The tiger was spotted at Gundre Range Nayalla Beat near Suthanahalli backwater. As it was badly injured and needed medical attention, the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) was contacted to seek permission as the feline had to be captured and treated in a wildlife protected zone.

It was injured in its legs, face, elbows, stomach and also eyes. As the efforts to trap the big cat failed, the animal was tranquillised. The fight would have taken place 10 days back and the tiger was fighting for survival, said officials.

Unable to bear the pain, the tiger was inside water for a couple of days and hunger forced it to get back to the woods. Due to the injuries, it was unable to hunt and was spotted in a pitiable condition. Following the NTCA directive, a cage was kept with a goat tied on the other side. But the big cat did not fall into it, forcing tranquillisation by veterinarian Dr. Vaseem Mirza who fired the dart.

After the first aid at the Bandipur Reserve, the officials decided to take it to Bannerghatta Biological Park. The animal was wrapped in a net and loaded onto a transport vehicle to be shifted. But the feline breathed its last near Mysuru, officials said.

Bandipur Tiger Reserve Director S.R. Natesh, Hediyala ACF M.S. Ravikumar, NTCA representative and Wildlife Warden Kruthika Alanahalli, Gundre RFO Shashidhar, N. Begur RFO Sachin, M.M. Gudi RFO Shanmuga and Special Tiger Protection Task Force staff were present.

Lockdown relaxed in Kodagu district

Businesses allowed to function from 6 am to 9 pm

Madikeri, July 10- The District Administration of Kodagu, which is the only district in the State which had tight lockdown restrictions, even after the restrictions were lifted in all other districts with effect from July 5 following dip in COVID Test Positivity Rate, too has now relaxed restrictions with effect from yesterday.

Announcing this to press persons at Madikeri yesterday, Kodagu DC Charulatha Somal said that following dip in Positivity Rate in Kodagu too in the past couple of days, the Government has announced lockdown relaxations, according to which business and other commercial activities will be allowed to take place from 6 am to 9 pm everyday till 6 am on July 19. However, this relaxation is not applicable to containment zones, she clarified.

Charulatha Somal, Kodagu DC

Explaining the highlights of the relaxations, the DC said that, however, those entering Kodagu from Kerala will either have to produce a COVID Negative Report or a double dose vaccination certificate.

Noting that the Tahsildars and the Health authorities have been issued clear instructions in this regard, Charulatha Somal said that those failing to produce the certificates at the Kerala border check-posts, will be sent back.

Continuing, she said that following the relaxations, the tourist spots in the district too will open up for visitors and added that barring certain activities, homestays, resorts, lodges etc., will reopen.

KSRTC bus services, both inter and intra district services too have recommenced with all SOPs in place.

However, inter-State bus operations is yet to resume, she said and added that all passengers will have to strictly follow COVID safety measures while travelling in buses.

Inter-State bus service to Kerala to commence from July 12

Mysuru, July 10- With COVID-19 crisis easing in the past few days, the KSRTC will resume its inter-State bus services to Kerala from July 12.

In a press release, the KSRTC Chief Traffic Manager at Bengaluru said that bus services to different destinations in Kerala from Bengaluru, Mysuru, Mangaluru, Tumakuru etc., will resume from July 12.

However, the passengers travelling in these buses will have to produce a COVID Negative Report issued within three days of travel (72 hours) or a certificate for having received at least one dose of jab. Also, passengers will have to strictly follow COVID appropriate behaviour during travel and follow other guidelines.

Persons traveling between the two States on a regular basis for reasons such as education, business etc., will have to undergo an RT-PCR test at least once in 15 days and possess a Negative Report. The passengers can book their tickets in advance through KSRTC website ***ksrtc.karnataka.gov.in*** OR ***www.ksrtc.in*** or through franchisee counters. For details, contact Ph: 080-26252625.

Date extended to submit online application for CET-2021

Bengaluru, July 10 (SSV)- The last date for submitting online application for CET-2021 has been extended up to July 16, Deputy Chief Minister and Higher Education Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathanarayana said.

The students, who have not registered to appear for CET-2021, can apply online up to 16-07-2021 and pay fees by July 19 to appear for CET seeking admission to various professional courses for the year 2021. This decision has been taken following requests from students and parents, he said.

The candidates, who have claimed the Special Category reservation in the CET-2021 while submitting the online application form (NCC, Sports, Defence, Ex-Defence, Scouts & Guides, etc.), must submit their Special Category certificates in person in any one of the specified centres which is convenient to them. Details of submission centres are mentioned on the KEA Website along with the schedule.

The candidates have to submit relevant Special Category certificates on the notified dates only, he noted.

Two killed in road accident

K.R. Pet, July 10- In a tragic incident, two persons of the taluk were killed, when the tempo they were travelling collided head on with an Eicher vehicle on B-M Road in Nagamangala taluk of Mandya district on Friday.

Yogesh

Impana

The deceased have been identified as Yogesh (30), a resident of Agrahara Bachahalli in K.R. Pet taluk and Impana (19), a student of K.R. Pet town.

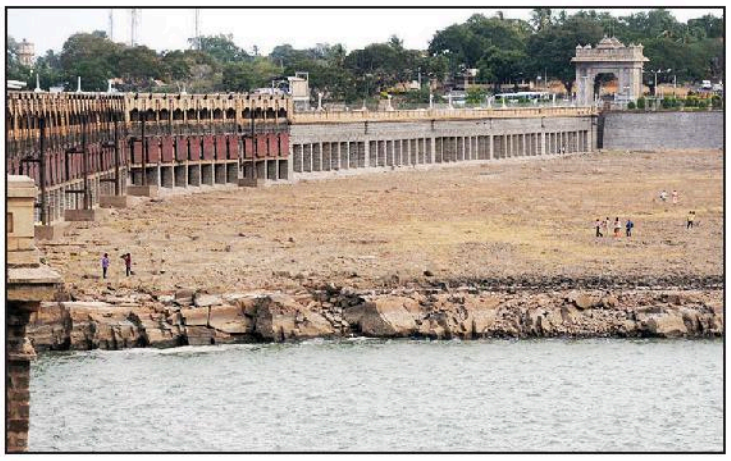
About ten persons of a family hailing from Valagere Menasa in K.R. Pet taluk had gone in a tempo to Attilakkamma Temple near Adichunchanagiri for performing special puja as part of Ashada Amavasya on Friday. After performing puja, they were returning back to Valagere Menasa, when the tempo collided head on with an Eicher vehicle at Bellur cross on B-M Road. Due to the impact of the collision, Yogesh and Impana, who were seated in the front row of the tempo, sustained serious injuries and died at the spot, while all others escaped with minor injuries.

Bellur Police have registered a case in this regard.

KRS Dam is safe, clarifies CNNL MD

Govt. attempts to draw curtains on bitter political-personal slugfest

Bengaluru, July 10 (KMS & BCT)- In the backdrop of a bitter slugfest between former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy and his bête noire Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish over cracks in the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam built across River Cauvery in Mandya due to rampant illegal mining, the State Government has clarified that the Dam was safe.



"The Dam is safe and there are no structural defects," K. Jaiprakash, Managing Director, Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL), said, dismissing reports of cracks in the Dam.

Sumalatha's remarks had kicked up a political storm with Kumaraswamy and JD(S) Legislators from Mandya, who have a stake in mining, slamming the MP for her comments. With the CNNLMD's statements, the Government has attempted to draw curtains over the war of words.

Jaiprakash clarified that the Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Project (DRIP) consultant and Dam Safety Review Panel (DSRP) inspected gates of the Dam on July 2 this year and that there is no structural defect in the wall of the structure.

"Post and pre-monsoon inspections have been conducted and reports have been submitted to the Dam Safety Division of the Karnataka Engineering Research Station. The inspections confirmed that there are no cracks," Jaiprakash added. "A consultant from DRIP visited the reservoir to inspect the work on replacing the 136 crest gates and the official too informed that there were no structural defects," he clarified.

Strengthening the structure

Following the suggestions from DSRP, the authorities have strengthened the Dam by using cementitious grout upstream from 131 feet to 70 feet. The pointing and grouting work was also done to stones of the Dam, he said. The World Bank provided funds for the Dam reviving project and the Central Water Commission had awarded the contract for Dam development work, Jaiprakash added.

Adopting some of the best engineering practices to repair and renovate the Dam, the State Government has won the prestigious World Bank award of Excellence in Rehabilitation Work(s) Civil-Spring 2017. The renovation and repair works at the Dam began in July 2016 and were completed in May 2017 at an estimated cost of Rs. 36 crore.

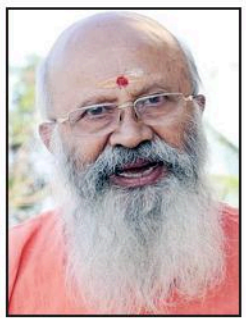
Under the repair and renovation project, holes on the Dam were identified by carrying out a survey using advanced civil engineering technology. Further, the identified holes and cracks were filled using crystalline technology through Fibre Short Crate and subsequently sealed with the grating process. This apart, cavity filling, grouting of the dam structure were also taken up, Jaiprakash clarified.

Memorial for 'Rebel Star' Ambarish

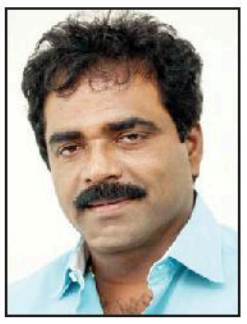
H.D. Kumaraswamy threw paper on my face: Actor Doddanna

Bengaluru, July 10 (KMS & BCT)- Kannada film stars Doddanna and Rockline Venkatesh (also a film producer) came in support of Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish over the issue of setting up a Memorial for actor-politician M.H. Ambarish, known as 'Rebel Star' among masses. Both hit out at former CM H.D. Kumaraswamy of telling 'blatant lies' on the Memorial and wrongfully claiming credit for the work not done by him.

Doddanna



Shivaram



Rockline Venkatesh

Rejecting Kumaraswamy's claim that it was he as the CM who ensured Memorial and respectful last rites to late Ambarish, Sumalatha said, "People who don't have the dignity to take Ambarish's name are talking about him. Don't you have any achievements to speak about? Why are you still taking Ambarish's name? It has been two years since he died."

Speaking to reporters yesterday, Doddanna recalled an incident which took place in Kumaraswamy's chambers when he was the CM. After the demise of Ambarish, Doddanna went to meet Kumaraswamy with a requisition to set up a Memorial for the late actor. "It shocked and pained me that Kumaraswamy threw the paper on my face and said Ambarish, whom he addressed in the singular, had not achieved anything to deserve a Memorial. I took the paper back and silently walked out of the room," Doddanna said.

"Senior actor Shivaram was also near the CM's chamber but when I asked him did he hear how Kumaraswamy had spoken, Shivaram replied that he did not. As for the Ambarish Memorial, it was the current CM B.S. Yediyurappa who facilitated it and not as claimed by someone else," Doddanna added.

Joining the debate, Rockline Venkatesh said, "People who would bow down before Ambarish and talk in reverence to him are today talking ill of him. Kumaraswamy claims to have been Ambarish's friend one moment and makes allegations against him another moment."

My phone too was tapped: Sumalatha

Meanwhile, Sumalatha has accused Kumaraswamy and his party leaders in Mandya of benefiting from illegal mining in the district. "Politicians won't do (illegal activities) directly with their name, they do with *benamis*, but it is an open secret...If you (JDS leaders) are not involved in it, why are you reacting? Looking at your strong reaction, it looks like you are benefiting from the illegal mining," Sumalatha said.

Sumalatha

Taking strong exception to linking her late husband's name to illegal things, Sumalatha demanded to know why the MLA was silent all this while. "People of Mandya and Ambarish's fans will respond to it in the days to come." Kumaraswamy, who calls Ambarish a "friend" in front of everyone, is making his Srirangapatna MLA say such statements, she added.

Accusing JD(S) and its leaders of corruption in Mandya at all stages, the MP said they have started targeting her as she was trying to raise her voice against their 'misdeeds' and trying to uncover it. She alleged that her phone too was tapped during the Kumaraswamy regime, which is being investigated by the CBI.

'Statements on Dam cracks detrimental to tourism'

Mysuru, July 10 (RK&BCT)- Former President of Federation of Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industries (FKCCI) Sudhakar S. Shetty has appealed to leaders not to politicise the KRS Dam issue saying that statements on the Dam developing cracks would be detrimental to the interests of Mysuru and Mandya tourism.

Sudhakar Shetty

Urging Mandya MP Sumalatha Ambarish to withdraw her statement over cracks in the Dam, Shetty said, "Such statements would turn the tourists away, leading to losses to the tourism industry and also economy of Mysuru and Mandya. As the Dam is important to farmers, it is crucial for the tourism industry too." The role of KRS in the growth of Mysuru as a tourist hub is also pivotal as tourists who visit Palace and Chamundi Hill in Mysuru also visit KRS Dam, he pointed out.

"Statements on the Dam developing cracks appearing in media will deter tourists from visiting the iconic structure for the fear of an accident. Mysuru has the best engineering brains and the Mandya administration has been taking care of the Dam without giving scope for any rumours or any weak links," he added.

Constitute Technical Committee to survey KRS Dam: MLC

Mysuru, July 10 (MTY&KS)- MLC A.H. Vishwanath has urged the State Government to constitute a Technical Committee to survey KRS Dam and provide a correct report to the people.

Vishwanath

Addressing a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here yesterday, he said that though a lot of discussions were going on with regard to cracks and leaks in KRS Dam, the CM, who also holds Water Resources portfolio, has remained silent on the issue and alleged that any portfolio with the CM will remain dead.

Pointing out that KRS Dam is the pride of all Kannadigas, the MLC said that a lot of efforts were taken to construct the Dam with the crest gates being brought from London.

Mandya MP Sumalatha says that the Dam had developed cracks while former CM Kumaraswamy says the opposite. They both are not engineers or experts but just politicians. Hence, the State Government should come out with a clarification on the Dam developing cracks as the people residing in its surroundings are now living in constant fear, he observed.

Vishwanath said that the CM, Mandya District Minister, Mandya DC and other officials should hold a meeting and give correct information to the people as KRS Dam provides water to four States.

WORD OF THE DAY

Oaf

Pronunciation: OHF.
Meaning: A stupid person : boob; a big clumsy slow-witted person.
Origin: A long time ago in England, it was believed that elves sometimes secretly exchanged their babies for human babies. This was used as an explanation when parents found themselves with a baby that failed to meet expectations or desires: these parents believed that their real baby had been stolen by elves and that a changeling had been left in its place. The label for such a child was auf, or alfe, (meaning "an elf's or a goblin's child"), which was later altered to form our present-day oaf. Although the linguistic history is not entirely clear, auf is likely from the Middle English alven, elven, meaning "elf" or "fairy." Today, the word oaf is no longer associated with babies and is instead applied to anyone who appears especially unintelligent or graceless.
Example: "We meet Ian, a shy young orphan elf whose dad died just before he was born. And we meet Ian's older brother Barley, a loud bumbling oaf of an elf who Ian tolerates." — Brent Northup, Helenair.com (Helena, Montana), 19 Mar. 2020.

THE ODD WORD

Abampere

Unit equivalent to 10 amperes.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

No spring chicken

Meaning: The phrase 'No Spring Chicken' is usually used in a negative way to describe someone who is no longer young, probably past his young adulthood, and sometimes doesn't realize it and tries to look and act younger than his age.
Origin: The origin of the phrase actually comes from its literal meaning. In the early 1700s, farmers found that chickens born in the spring brought better prices than 'old' ones that had gone through the winter. When farmers tried to sell the old birds as 'new spring born', buyers complained that they were 'no spring chicken'. The first recorded use of the phrase in its figurative meaning was in 1906.
Example: "I don't know how old Mike is, but obviously he is no spring chicken."

QUOTE BOX

Life is made of ever so many partings welded together. —**Charles Dickens**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer :All over the place.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Small bay; bloke
5 An agreement
9 Satellite Data Unit
12 Alpine goat
13 Marne mine
14 British naval sailor
15 Singer Amos
16 Piece of luggage
18 Baker's need
20 Goat-man of myth
21 ___ a chance : dared?
24 Soprano character of Pagliacci
27 Footpath
31 Family member
32 Sudden attack
33 An old, inferior, or worthless horse
34 Plate
35 S. American country
36 Proof
38 Sound like a horse?
41 Newts or newt-like amphibians
42 Place; stead
44 Bee's honey stores
48 Capital of Arunachal Pradesh
52 Despatched - "nest" anagram?
53 Family
54 Drama
55 In neat order
56 Tolkien's tree like creature
57 Auld Lang ___ : days of long ago?
58 Fruit of blackthorn

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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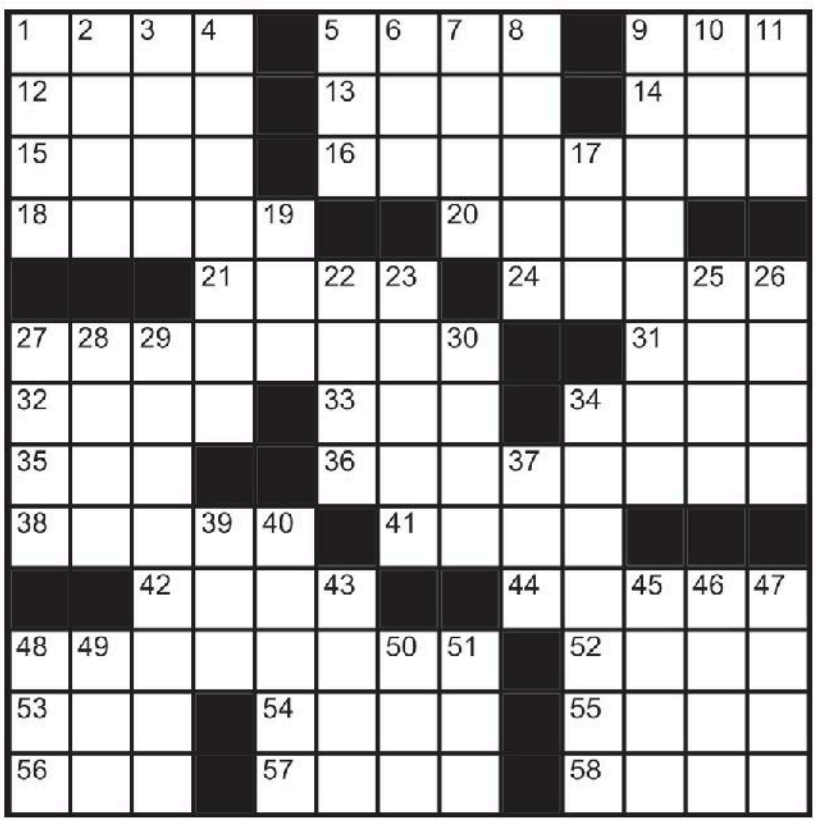
DOWN

1 Football club Manchester ___
2 Double reed
3 ___ Lynn : the famous singer?
4 Used to be alive
5 Step in ballet
6 Atomic mass unit
7 Hairdo
8 Person of great intelligence, strength or standing
9 __ __ for : replaces some one? (6,2)
10 Karl Marx's ___ Kapital
11 Abstract noun suffix
17 Hint
19 Male cat
22 Prefix for wine
23 Rogue or scoundrel
25 Platter
26 Wimbledon winner in 1975
27 Much respected Bollywood villain
28 Swiss river - change of "area"?
29 Watchful
30 Work-weary exclamation
34 Refrains, abstains or halts
37 Direct to home, abbr.
39 Strong drink
40 Piles, stacks or loads
43 Unsightly
45 Concealing headpiece
46 Word form for ''within''
47 Eyelid inflammation
48 The late president Eisenhower's nickname
49 Metal for a container
50 Famous Hindi movie of days gone by - "An a" anagram?
51 Bread or grass or whisky?



SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

4	3	6	9	5	1	7	2	8
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6	2	9	3	8	7	5	4	1
1	4	7	2	6	5	8	9	3
8	5	3	1	9	4	6	7	2
3	8	4	7	1	9	2	5	6
7	6	5	8	2	3	9	1	4
9	1	2	5	4	6	3	8	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

RMWIW'N EU GFZ NEQVUJ EPGBR RMGNW XMG HGIJWR

MVNRGIQ. V ZGU'R IWOWOPWI VR, PBR VR'N JGGZ.

TODAY'S CLUE: J EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Always be nice to people on the way up; because you'll meet the same people on the way down.

No Jawa revving on city roads this year

Over 30 bikers to proceed towards Bandipur on Intl. Jawa Day tomorrow

By S. Kenneth Shishir

Mysuru, July 10- Motorcycles that once ruled Indian roads drew every onlooker's attention every second Sunday of July that is celebrated as the 'International Jawa Day' where groups of bikers vroomed around designated roads of their cities. They were no ordinary bikes, but motorcycles which every young Indian wanted to own in the early 60s.

Incidentally, the second Sunday of July falls tomorrow (July 11). However, there will be no rally as such as the Police have denied permission owing to COVID-19 pandemic. Last year too, there was no such rally, thanks to the pandemic and if a city dweller can recall, the last rally was held in 2019.

Every year, the vintage era of Yezdis and Jawas was brought alive when a group of youths, under the banner 'Jawa Friends Club' rode the bikes on the city roads. This year, however, a group of 30 Jawa enthusiasts will proceed towards a long drive to Bandipur and come back after a short picnic of sorts. They will start from Bandipalya Ring Road at 8 am and touch Bandipur Tiger Reserve Gate and return to Mysuru.

The tough bike was manufactured in India by Ideal Jawa (India) Limited aka Jawa. Commercial production of the motorcycles in India began in the 1960s with technical collaboration with Jawa Limited of former Czechoslovakia.

The first Jawa rolled out of Czechoslovakia in 1929 and it made its Indian debut through the efforts of F.K. Irani at Ideal Jawa which started importing them to Mysuru around the mid-1940s. Ideal Jawa (India) Ltd. manufactured the most sought-after two-wheelers in the 60s and 70s at its factory in Yadavagiri. The land that stood abandoned after the factory stopped production in 1981 was auctioned in 2001.

Standing tall for its tagline *'The forever bike that offers forever value,'* the Yezdi was and is still popular amongst bike enthusiasts. Though not many of these bikes are seen on the roads these days, there are people who have preserved them with utmost care and ride them for sheer pleasure.

There are many bikers from Mysuru, Bengaluru and Kodagu who own good old Jawa and Yezdi bikes — Jawa Colt, Jawa Jet, CL 2 and Jawa 350, Yezdi 250, Yezdi Roadking, Yezdi Classic and Yezdi Monarch among others. The mileage of these bikes is less, but the comfort in riding the bike makes all other factors redundant, say riders. Spares are difficult to come by and most of what is available turns out to be fake.

Khizer of Jawa Friends Club said that there will be no rally within the city but they, in a group of over 30, would proceed towards Bandipur. "Every annual rally, apart from being a display show of the mean machines, was also a platform for Jawa bike enthusiasts to interact with some of the oldest riders and employees of the then Ideal Jawa factory. This year, however, that's not possible," he said.

'My bike is like my family member'

"Prahalad Cheluve Urs, who owns a 1995 Roadking, said that his bike was like his family member who requires attention and regular care. Just like regular health check-ups for human beings, these bikes too need regular maintenance, he said.

"I took part in International Jawa Day rallies for four years from 2014 and have even sponsored a few events. Due to hectic work schedule, I have stopped participating. But I take my Roadking for city rides and even to work," he added.

'I tune bikes of many outstation riders'

"Wajid, one of the Jawa mechanics in the city, said that the craze for this bike is still alive and kicking. "I began repairing Jawa and Yezdi bikes in 1978 and I have regular customers, who come from Chamarajanagar, K.R. Nagar, Kodagu, Chikkamagalur and other places to get their bikes repaired or toned up. Due to the current pandemic situation, my garage was closed but I used to repair bikes at the customers' homes itself as many Yezdi bike owners do not want to keep their prized possessions idle," he said.

Wajid said that there is no dearth for spares as they are being manufactured and available at many spare parts shops.

Malabar embarks on a hiring-spree

Mysuru, July 10 - Malabar Gold & Diamonds has embarked on a massive hiring initiative to boost employment prospects for jobseekers across the country amid a dip in recruitment sentiment owing to COVID-19-induced recession. Malabar, with over 260 stores across 10 countries, has announced hiring for more than 5,000 vacancies, both across its retail operations in India and enabling functions at the brand headquarters and regional offices. This is in line with the brand's efforts to further boost its retail presence across the country.

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